

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 118–10
OFFERED BY MR. MILLS OF FLORIDA

At the end of subtitle D of title XII, add the following:

1 **SEC. __. DETERMINATION WITH RESPECT TO SUSPENSION**
2 **OF THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF RUSSIA**
3 **UNDER THE ORGANIZATION FOR THE PROHI-**
4 **BITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS.**

5 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

6 (1) The United States has done little to hold
7 Russia to account for its use of Novichok — a mili-
8 tary-grade chemical nerve agent — in two attempted
9 assassinations.

10 (2) More than two and a half years ago, Rus-
11 sia’s domestic security service, the FSB, poisoned
12 Russian opposition leader Alexei Navalny and he be-
13 came violently ill on a flight inside of Russia.

14 (3) Several independent labs confirmed the
15 presence of Novichok, a banned chemical nerve
16 agent. Moscow also used Novichok in a 2018 attack
17 in the United Kingdom, assisted Syria’s use of
18 chemical weapons, and has threatened to use these
19 weapons in Ukraine.

1 (4) The Organization for the Prohibition of
2 Chemical Weapons (OPCW) Executive Council on
3 July 9, 2020, issued a Decision (EC-94/DEC.2) that
4 gave the Syrian Arab Republic 90 days to declare its
5 chemical weapons program and facilities and resolve
6 outstanding issues.

7 (5) The OPCW Conference of States Parties
8 (CSP) on April 21, 2021, issued a Decision (C-25/
9 DEC.9) that suspended the following rights and
10 privileges of the Syrian Arab Republic under the
11 Convention on the Prohibition of the Development,
12 Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weap-
13 ons and on their Destruction:

14 (A) To vote in the Conference and the
15 Council.

16 (B) To stand for election to the Council.

17 (C) To hold any office of the Conference,
18 the Council, or any subsidiary organs.

19 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of the
20 Congress that the President should seek to establish a dip-
21 lomatic coalition—

22 (1) to seek to compel the Government of the
23 Russian Federation to disclose the full extent of
24 Russia’s chemical weapons program; and

1 (2) if the Government of the Russian Federa-
2 tion does not make the disclosure described in para-
3 graph (1), to urge the OPCW CSP to suspend the
4 rights and privileges of Russia under the OPCW.

5 (c) DETERMINATION REQUIRED.—Not later than 90
6 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary
7 of State shall submit to Congress a determination of
8 whether the Government of Russia has complied with the
9 requirements of subsection (b)(1).

